

Huntingburg Park Board

Monday, August 1, 2016

Park Board Members Present: Mike Fulkerson, Mark Peters, Mande Keusch, Jose Gil

City Employees Present: Larry Altstadt

I. Approval of Claims: Mande made a motion to approve all claims. Jose seconded. Board approved 4-0.

II. Approval of Minutes: Mike made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 20, 2016 Board meeting. Mande seconded. Board approved 4-0.

III. Director's Report:

A. Latino Fest: The lease for the Latino Fest to be held on September 2nd and 3rd was reviewed and signed. There is no fee for the use of the park.

B. Senior Citizens: The trip for September to see the Ark Encounter was cancelled due to a lack of sign-ups. Another trip has not been scheduled at this time.

C. Employees: Tyson Bredemeier started his new position as Event Coordinator/Park Maintenance on July 18th. He is currently being trained in and will be working on getting events scheduled in the gazebo and League Stadium. Tyson and Larry will be moving their offices to Old Town Hall in the next week.

D. Equipment: The new Thrasher golf ball picker was purchased for \$3,805. Larry reports that it is working well.

E. League Stadium:

1. Gate: Larry discussed needing to add a large gate (12'-16') to the new wall so large equipment can be moved in and out easily (event set-up, concerts, etc.). Mark suggested just widening the current gates that already exist near the first or third base side rather than putting a gate in the new wall. Mande was in agreement with Mark's suggestion.

2. Wall: Larry showed the green color that can be mixed at Central Concrete that would cost the same if not less than the red color. This would keep the estimate for the remaining portion of the wall at \$66,219.05 rather than the \$70,181.45 quote by Evans Masonry if they were to die it themselves. Although Mande and Mark would prefer a darker shade of green, the color that Evan's Masonry presented was even lighter than the one mixed by Central Concrete. Mande suggested that the League Stadium emblem that will be stenciled in that section be done in a darker shade of green if possible to make it stand out more. Mike made a motion to move forward with the green color presented by Central Concrete. Jose seconded. Board approved 4-0. Larry discussed how the current signs will be set on the new call using U-brackets. No hardware will be exposed. Mande suggested adding padding under the signs if possible since the signs will be set off of the wall and there will be a slight gap between the signs and the wall.

3. Posts: There are three 25' posts on the north side of League Stadium that need replacing. Pfaff's is going to look at and give an estimate for replacing. Larry will also look at adding Aluminum over the tops to keep water from pooling on them to keep new ones from rotting.

4. Lights: Larry is currently working on getting quotes to replace current lights with LEDs. Musco lighting is coming in Wednesday. Mayor Spinner is currently working on trying to get some money for the project from the Electric Company for changing to more energy efficient lighting.

F. Playgrounds: The playground by the maintenance building (Tot playground) is going to be resurfaced with concrete curbing and concrete slab before adding the rubber tiles. Schroering's quoted the curbing at \$3,200 and the 4" slab at \$8,990. Other quotes are forth coming.

G. Pool: Current pool income is \$26,926. The pool will close on August 7th.

H. Work Projects: All the picnic tables at the City Park now have concrete under them. They will now concrete under the benches at Niehaus Park as well as continue concreting under picnic tables at Southside Park.

I. Niehaus Park:

1. Golf Range: Currently the range has brought in \$5,949. The range averages \$9,000 per year. The range will remain open until the weather starts getting bad, usually sometime in October.

2. Larry is currently getting quotes to pave the remaining 1,800' of walkway. They cannot get concrete trucks back in the woods so the concrete needs to be buggied in which will increase the cost.

J. Bark Park: The new keys that were ordered do not seem to be working so Larry has had to replace them with old keys. He is running out of the old keys.

K. Google Trekker: Jared and Larry completed the video of all the parks. Larry received information on the opportunity to do this earlier in the year from the Indiana Parks and Recreation Department so he applied. Larry will send out information on how to view the finished project once it is completed. Larry reported that the Parks Dept employees did a great job getting everything ready for this project between all the rains.

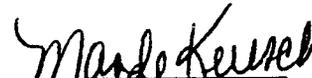
L. Budget: Larry presented the amended budget he will present to the Council on August 16th. Some possible budget ideas are to add a playground and shelter at Niehaus park, update a current playground, fix the tower on the diving board, repaint the inside of the pool, and replace an ATV. Larry suggested increasing the rental house fees on the shelter houses to be similar to what other parks charge. He suggests \$50 for large shelter house and \$25 for smaller. The Board agreed with this proposal.

IV. Miscellaneous/Comments: Mike stated that he had some people contact him to complain about people parking in the grass by the large shelter house. This is becoming a problem. Larry stated that OFS is going to make aluminum "No Parking" signs to post by the driveway. Mike also suggests putting up the chain again with a lock on it and whomever rents it can get the key to unlock it but otherwise it stays locked. Mande suggests that it is written in the rental agreement that cars are not allowed to park in the grass and that this is pointed out to the people when they come to rent the shelter houses. Larry states that he can also put up signs that say "Tow Away Zone".

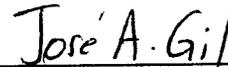
V. Adjournment: Mande made a motion to adjourn. Jose seconded. Board approved 4-0. Meeting ended at 6:28 p.m.



President



Secretary



Member



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